

Amendments to Claims

1-3 (cancelled).

4 (currently amended). A footwear upper comprising a thermally pointbonded nonwoven base fabric coated with polyurethane ~~a material~~ on at least one surface of the base fabric and wherein the polyurethane ~~material~~ is impregnated throughout the interior of the fabric by dip coagulation, ~~the material being selected from the group consisting of polyurethane and polyvinyl chloride~~ and wherein the upper functions additionally as a lining.

5 (currently amended). The footwear upper of either claim ~~3 or~~ 4, wherein the base fabric comprises fibers selected from the group consisting of nylon 6 staple fibers, nylon 66 staple fibers, nylon 6/nylon 66 sheath/core staple fibers, and blends thereof.